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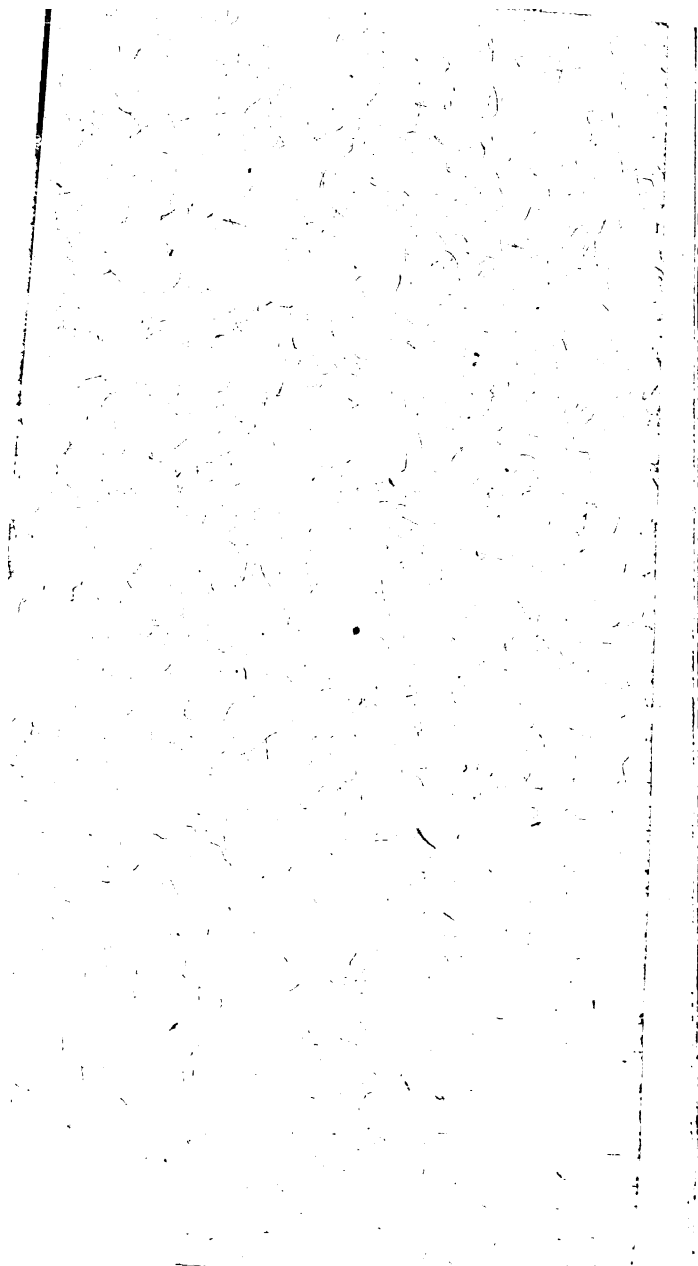
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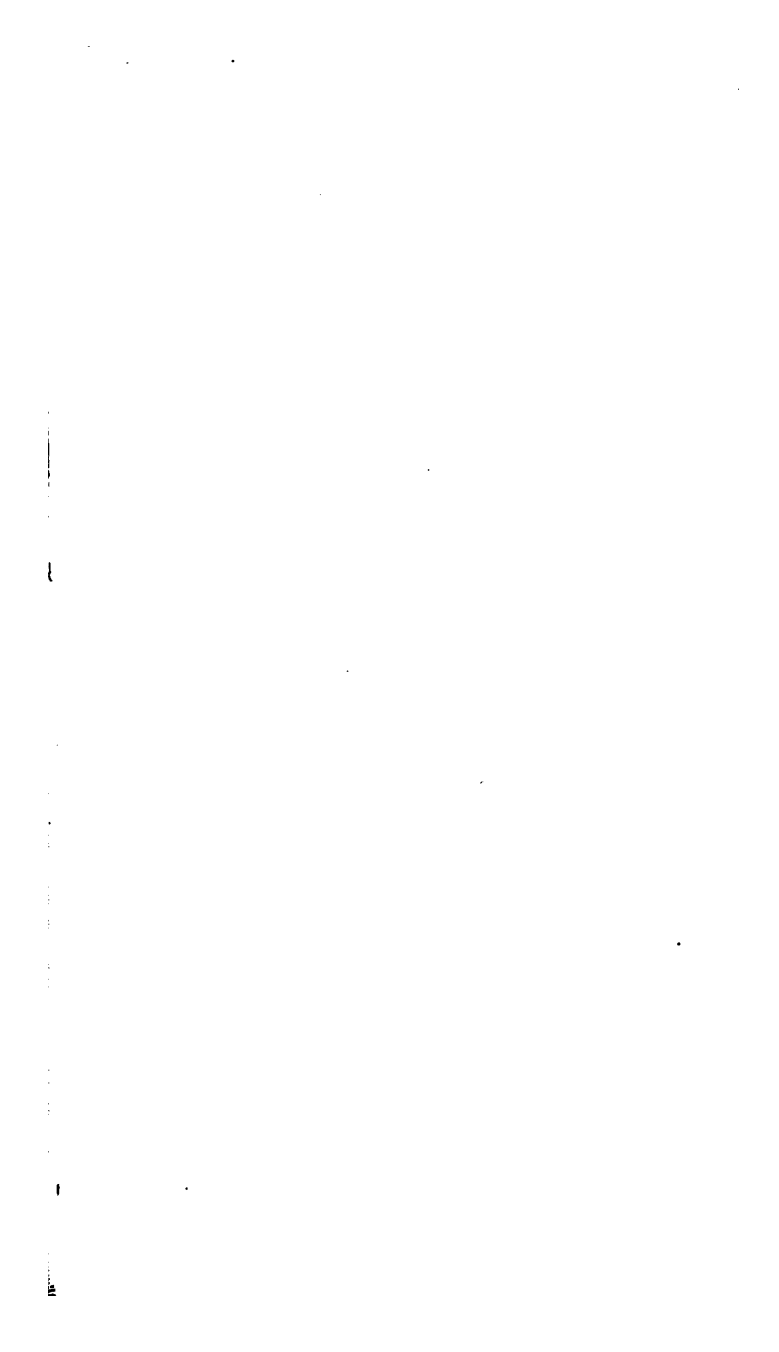
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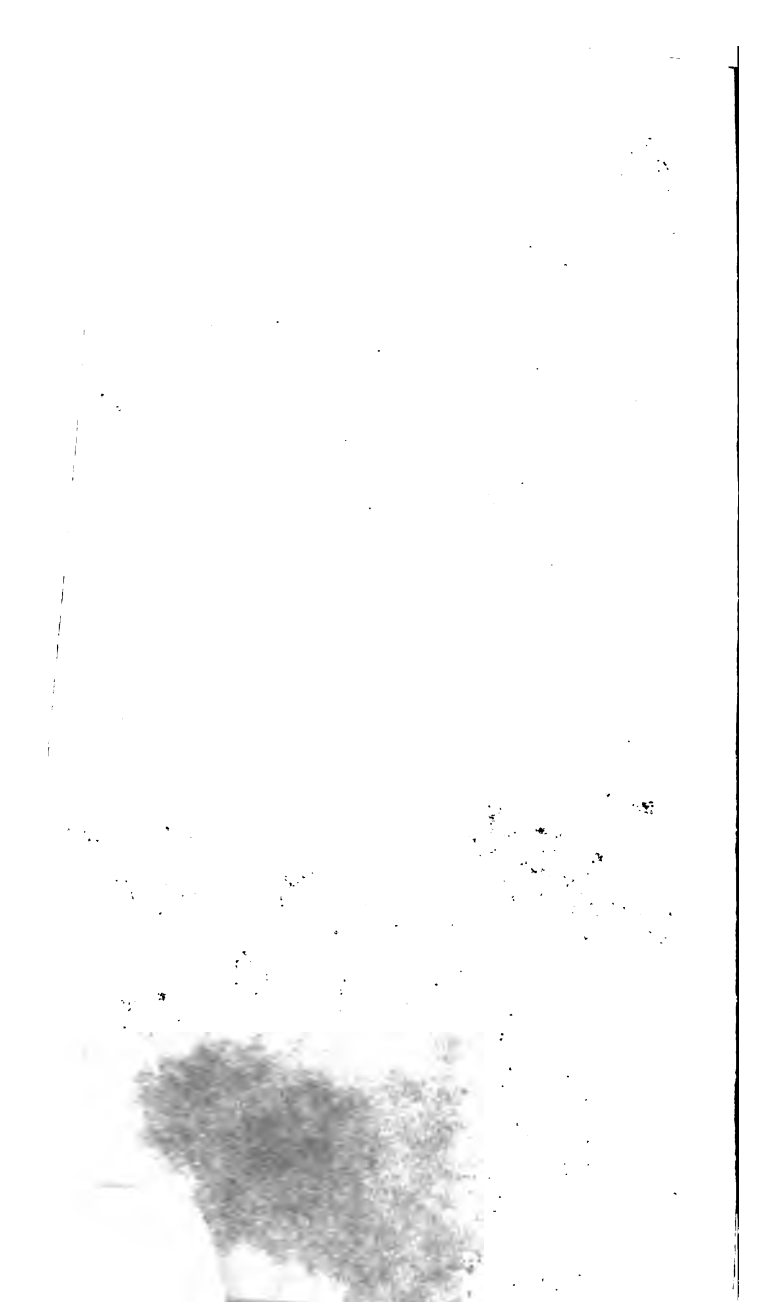


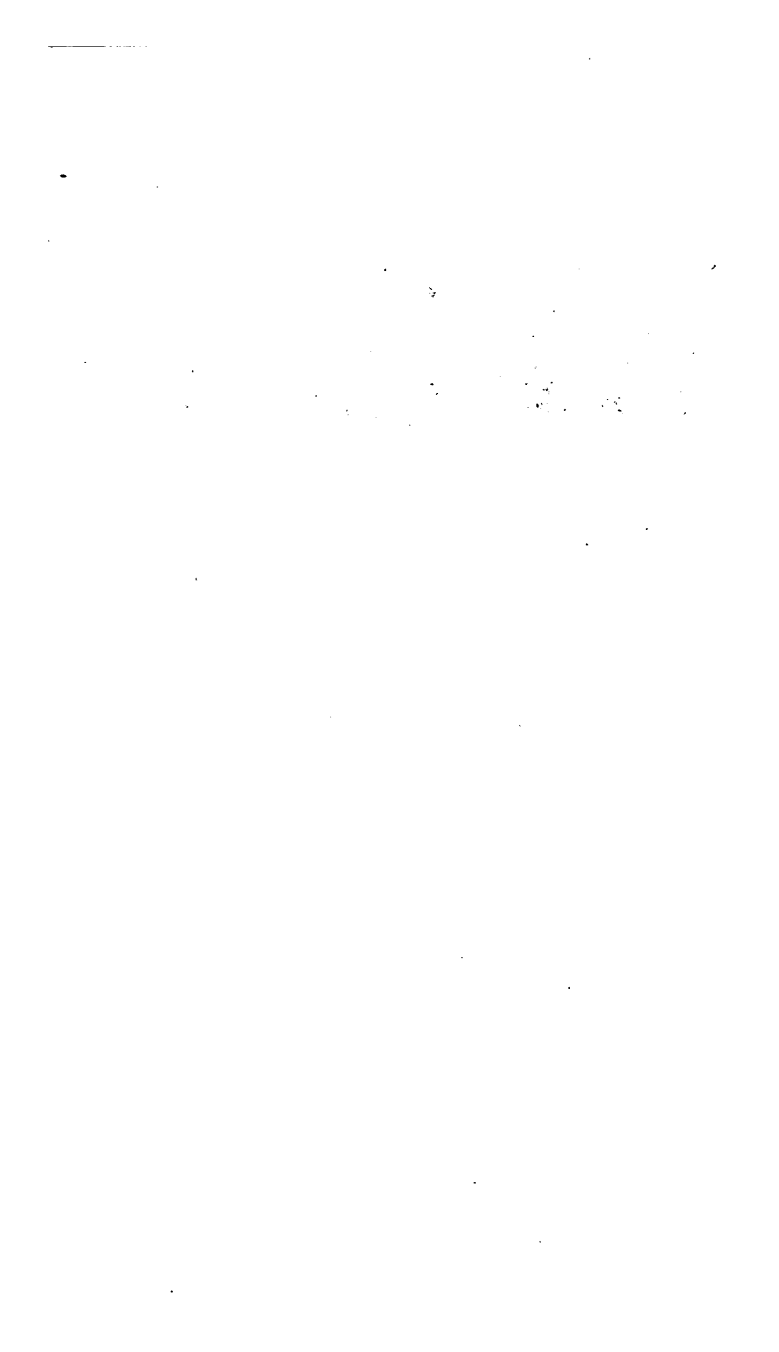
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There's all of pleasure
and all of peace
In a friend or two;
And all your troubles may
find release
With a friend or two;
It's in the grip of the clasp-
ing hand
On native soil or in alien
land,
But the world is made —
do you understand? —
Of a friend or two.





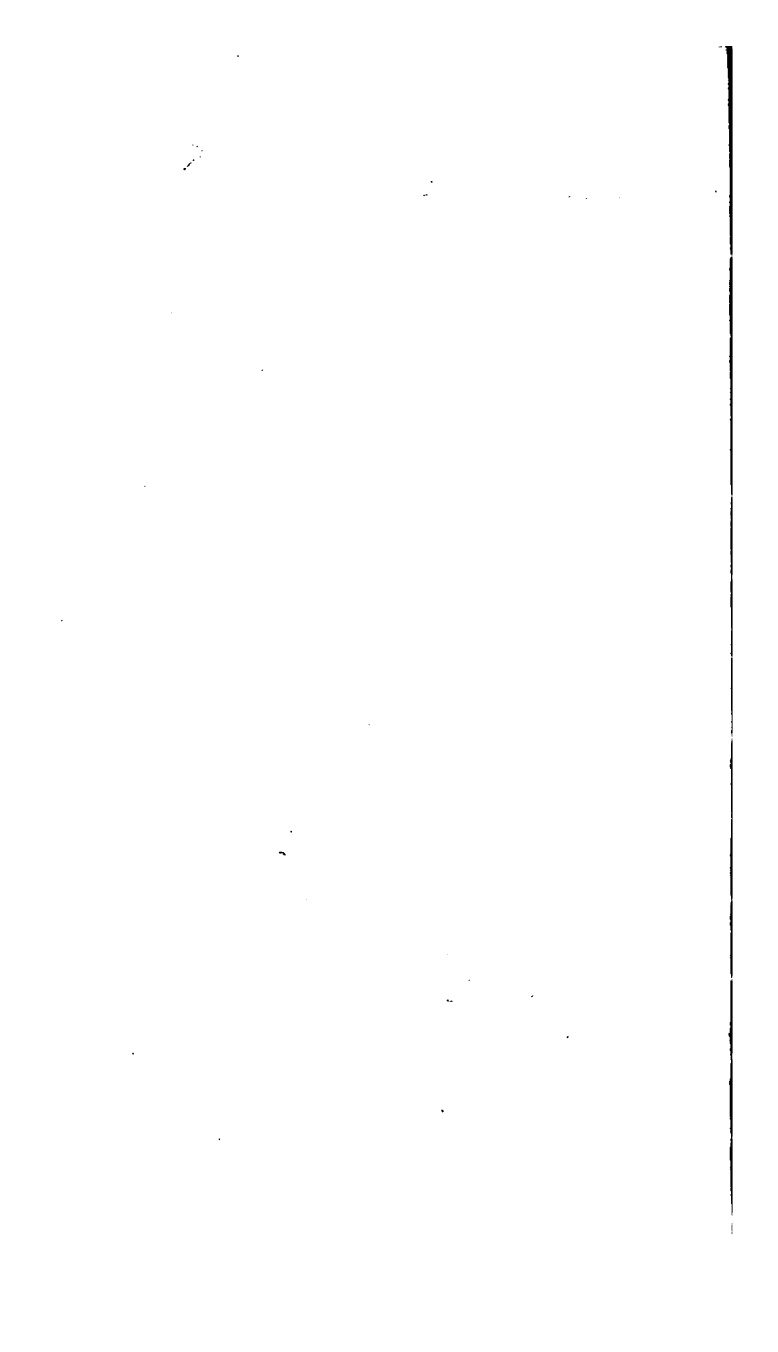


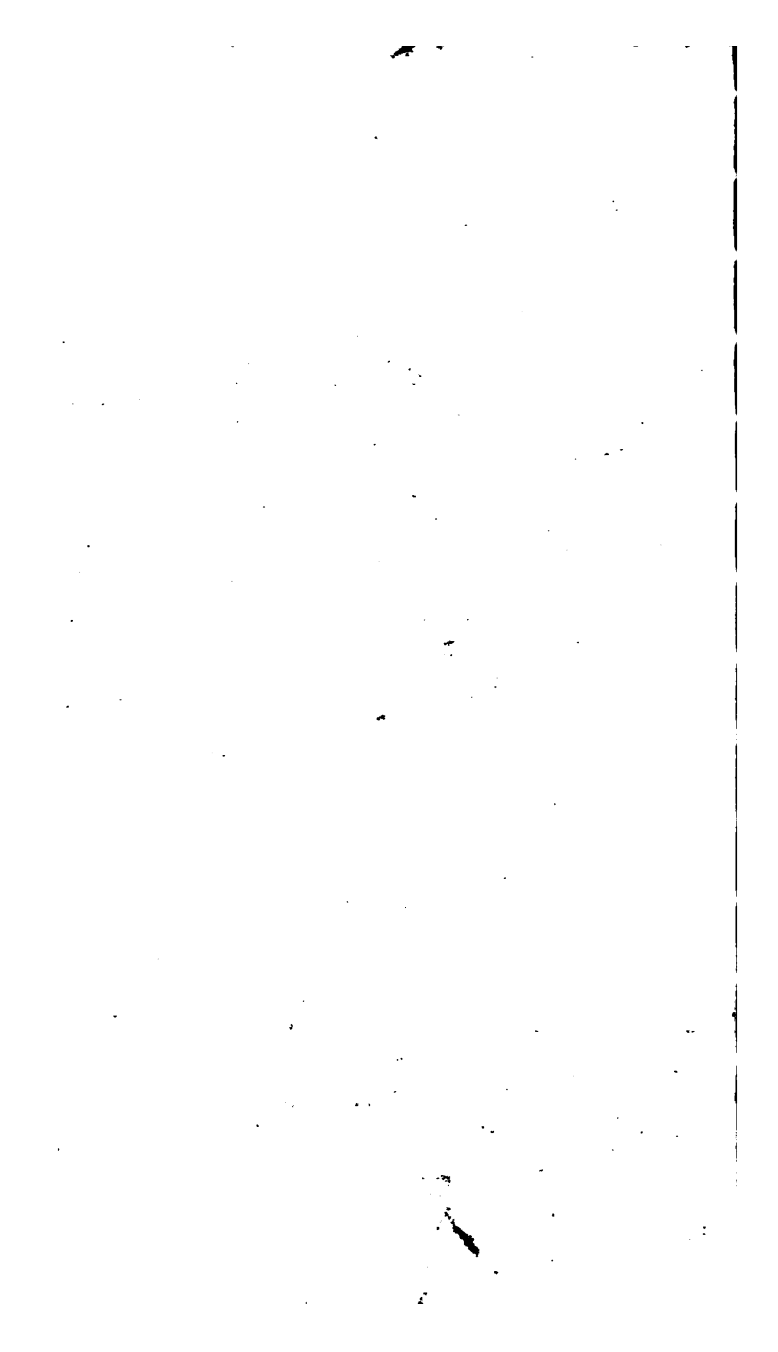




A song to sing and a
crust to share
With a friend or two;
A smile to give and a
grief to bear
With a friend or two;
A road to walk and a goal
to win,
An inglenook to find comfort
in,
The gladdest hours that
we know, begin
With a friend or two.





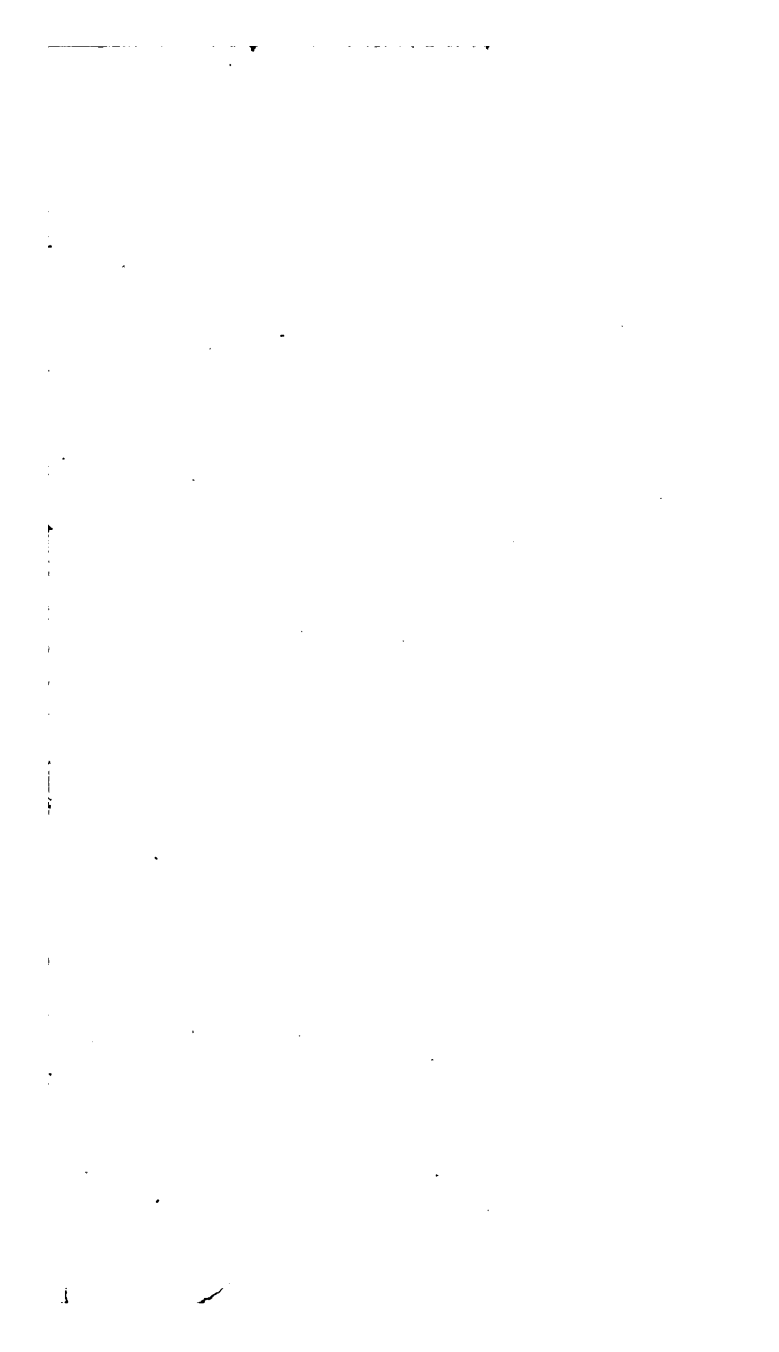




A little laughter; perhaps
some tears
With a friend or two;
The days, the weeks, and
the months and years
With a friend or two;
A vale to cross and a hill
to climb,
A mock at age and a jeer
at time——.
The prose of life takes the
lilt of rhyme
With a friend or two.





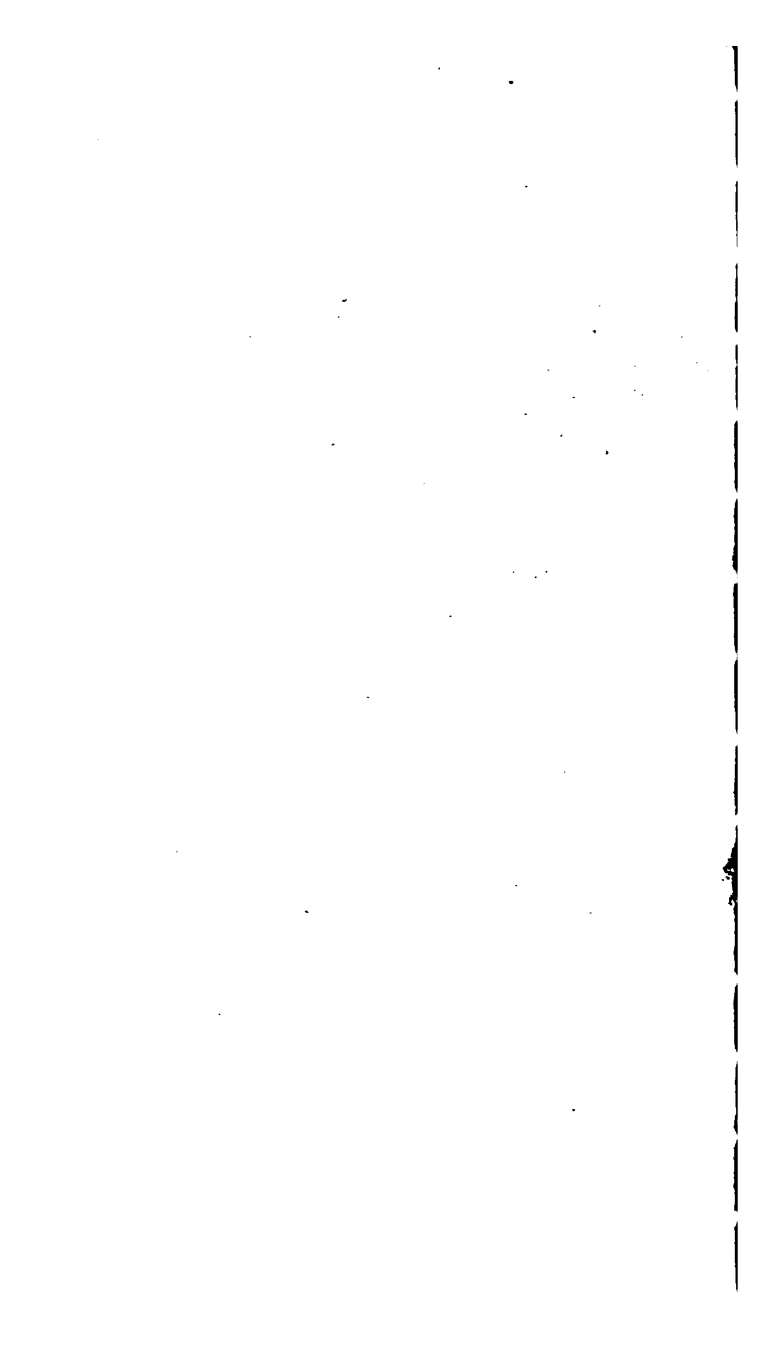




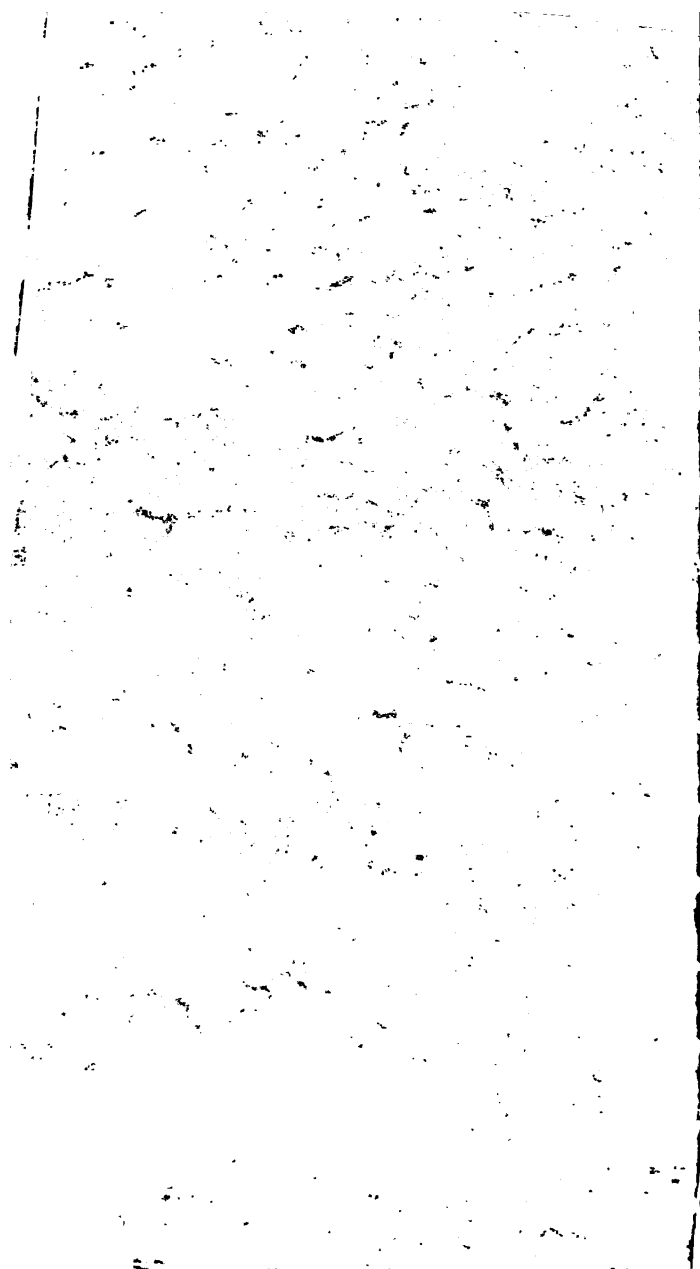


The brother-soul and
the brother-heart
Of a friend or two
Make us drift on from
the crowd apart,
With a friend or two;
For come days happy or
come days sad
We count no hours but
the ones made glad
By the hale good times
we have ever had
With a friend or two.





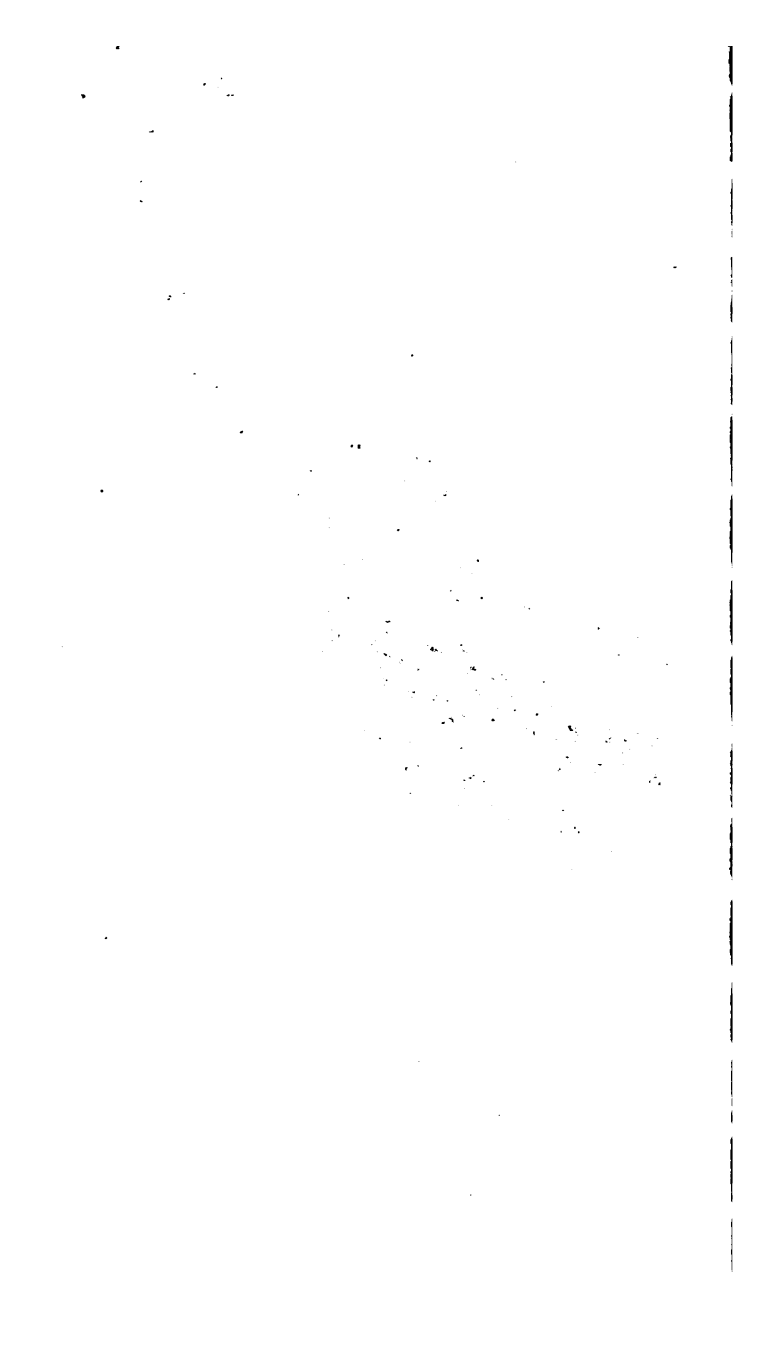


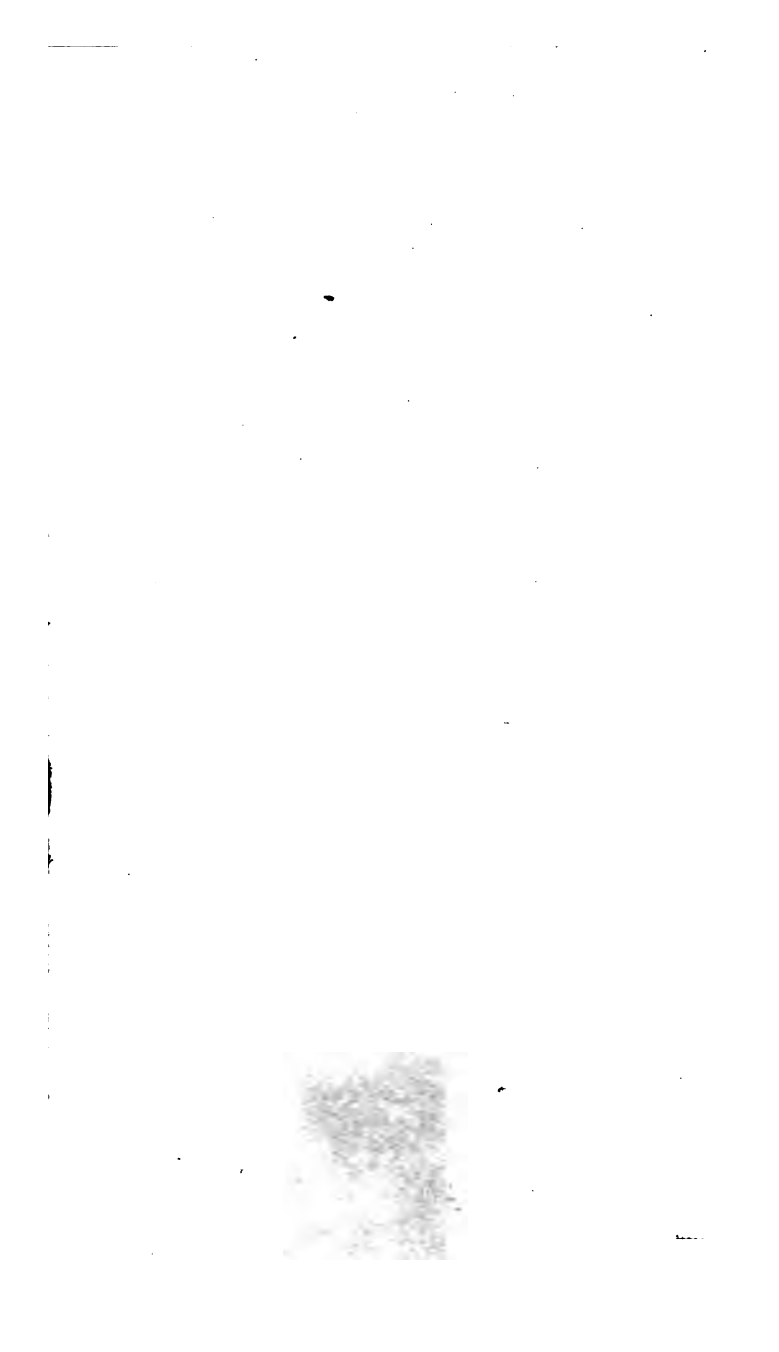


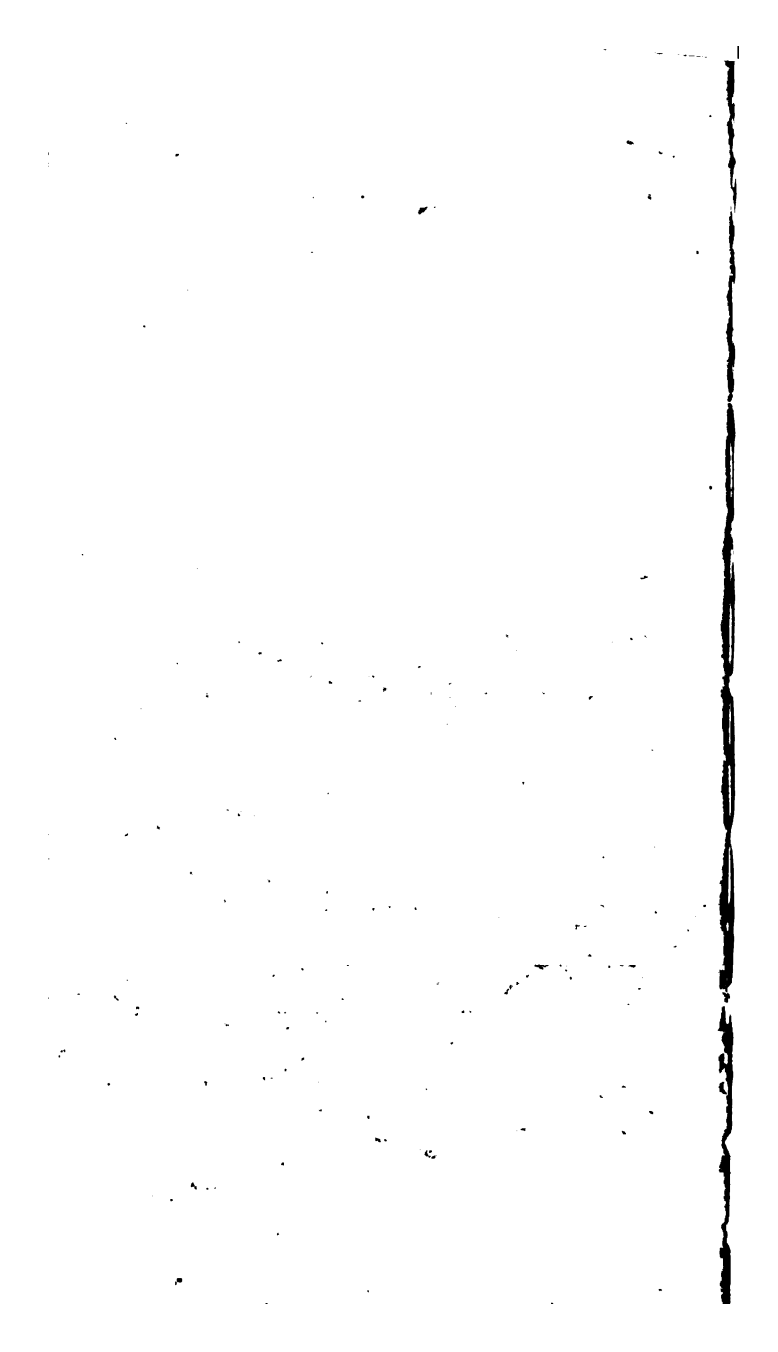


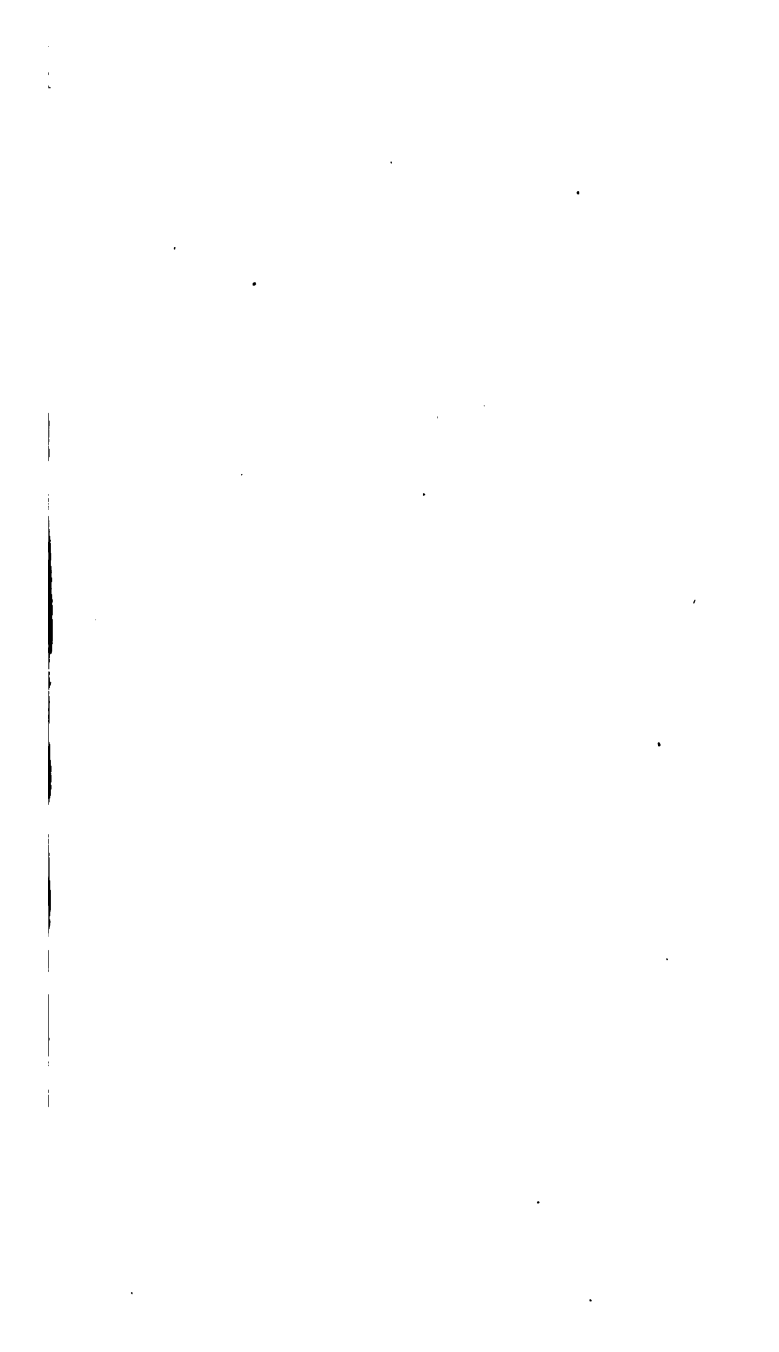
Then brim the goblet
and quaff the toast
To a friend or two,
For glad the man who can
always boast
Of a friend or two;
The fairest sight is a
friendly face,
The blithest tread is a
friendly pace,
And heaven will be a better
place
For a friend or two.

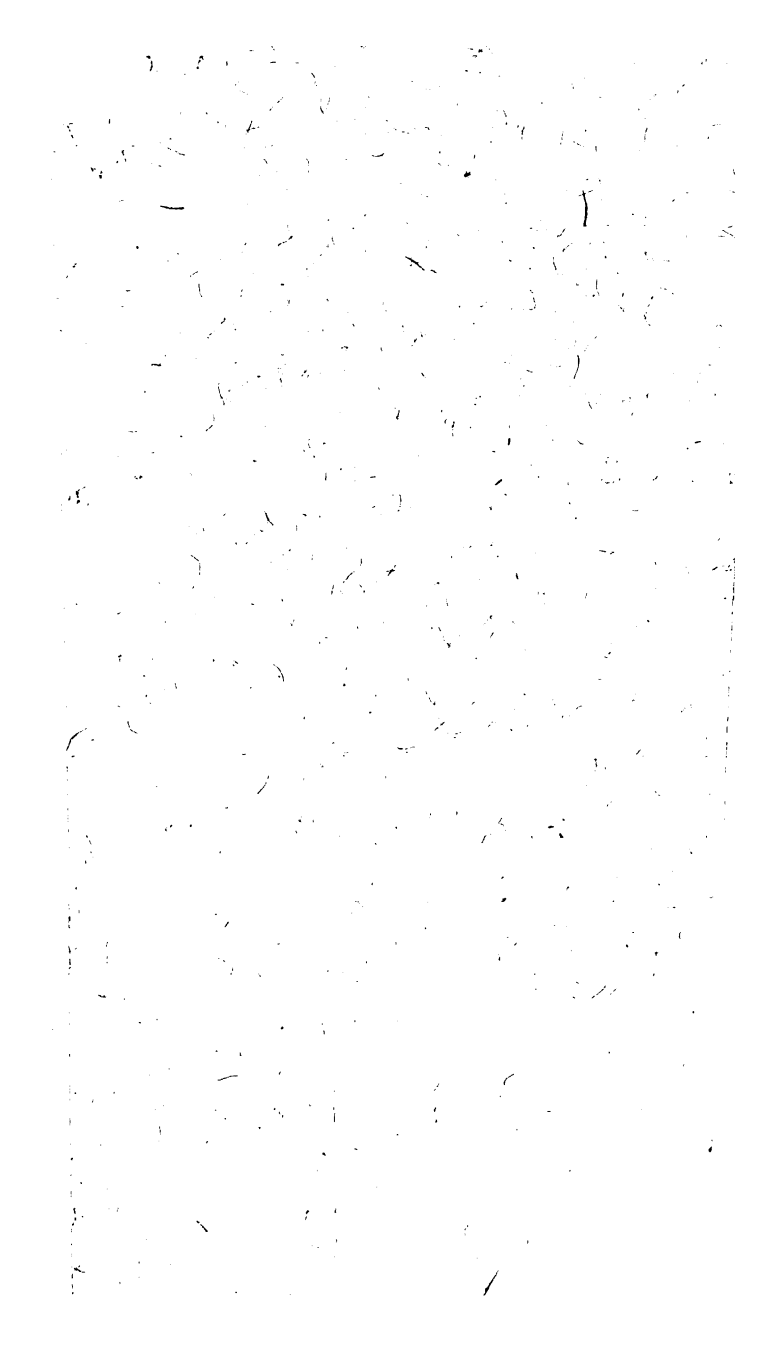












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